Staff for the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command. In that position, Colonel Smith was vital in efforts to advance Redstone Arsenal. In addition, his leadership has been critical to our Nation's defense by helping to ensure the Army's readiness and technological superiority for the future. I commend Colonel Smith for energizing a diverse staff toward a common purpose and inspiring them to achieve their goals.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of North Alabama, I congratulate Colonel Smith for his 30 years of service to our country and wish him well in his retirement.

COMMENDING DAVID LEESON AND CHERYL DIAZ MEYER OF THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS STAFF, WINNERS OF 2004 PULITZER PRIZE FOR BREAKING NEWS PHOTOGRAPH

## HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 11, 2004

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate two great journalists, David Leeson and Cheryl Diaz Meyer of the Dallas Morning News, who were recently awarded the 2004 Pulitzer Prize for Breaking News Photography.

We Texans saw blood spill, tears shed, and conflict unfold in the trenches of Iraq through their camera lens.

Mr. Leeson, who was with the U.S. Army's Third Infantry Division for 6 weeks, captured an image of an Iraqi rolling out of a vehicle engulfed in flames, only to be shot by an American soldier; Ms. Meyer photographed a gripping scene of American troops risking their lives to save a wounded civilian.

The Pulitzer is Leeson's first. He had been a Pulitzer finalist three other times. The Iraq war is the 11th major conflict Leeson has covered. He has also produced work on the apartheid in South Africa, a portion of the gulf war and flooding in southeast Texas.

It was the first Pulitzer for Ms. Meyer also, a news photographer since 2000. In late 2001, she traveled to Afghanistan to photograph the war on terrorism and its effects to topple the oppressive Taliban regime. She has received numerous awards for her body of work there including the John Faber Award from the Overseas Press Club. In April 2002, Ms. Meyer traveled to the Philippines and Indonesia where she photographed Muslim and Christian extremism and the violence caused by religious hatred.

Mr. Speaker, I also congratulate the Dallas Morning News' entire staff for their seventh Pulitzer.

Mr. Leeson and Ms. Meyer, I commend you for this great accomplishment. Keep capturing those shots because they are worth thousand words.

HONORING THE BAY REGIONAL EMS UNITS

## HON. DALE E. KILDEE

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 11, 2004

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to acknowledge the Bay Regional EMS units of Bay City, Michigan for their tireless efforts and dedication in providing life sustaining treatment, and transportation of the sick for 31 years. On May 16, 2004, during National EMS week, the community will join together to honor these men and women during a special presentation ceremony to be held at the main EMS station in Bay City, Michigan.

The Bay Regional EMS, formerly known as the Bay Medical Center EMS, started in 1973. In 1978 it added the Advanced Life Support (Paramedic) service units. There are currently eleven Advanced Life Support units within the fleet. The EMS Units are based out of four stations, which are located in downtown Bay City, Bangor Township (2 units) and Hampton Township. Bay Regional Medical Center employs thirty-eight paramedics, and twelve EMT/ Dispatchers who respond to approximately 11,000 emergency and non-emergency transports annually. The Bay Regional EMS Paramedic units are the best in its class. They were among the first responding units to the Wenona Hotel fire, the Bay City fireworks festival explosion, and the motor vessel Jupitor explosion and fire. Aside from their duties as paramedics and EMT/Dispatchers, they also provide Medical First Responder level, EMT-Basic level, EMT-Specialist level, and Paramedic level licensure programs, as well as community CPR/AED classes and informational events within the Bay County Schools. The service also provides coverage for special events throughout the Bay County area, including all levels of EMS coverage at no cost for Bay City Central and Essexville Garber football games.

Mr. Speaker, as a Member of Congress, I ask my colleagues in the 108th Congress to please join me in recognizing the Bay Regional EMS units for their outstanding professionalism, attention to detail, and unwavering commitment to assisting all those in need of medical care.

HONORING 2004 STANISLAUS MEDICAL SOCIETY PHYSICIAN OF THE YEAR DR. J. CARL HORNBERGER.

## HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 11, 2004

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. J. Carl Hornberger on the occasion of receiving the Stanislaus Medical Society John Darroch Memorial Award for Physician of the Year. A ceremony honoring Dr. Hornberger will be held at the Stanislaus Medical Society Annual Dinner Meeting on Thursday. May 27, 2004.

Dr. Carl Hornberger received his MD from the University of Rochester. He completed his Medical Internship, Residency, and Traineeship in Cardiology at the National Heart Institute: University Hospitals of Cleveland, OH. Carl has been practicing medicine for 55 years and has been an active Internal Medicine Physician with Gould Medical Group in Modesto since 1955.

Carl's care and concern for the community and medicine are reflected in the wide variety of leadership roles he has held for the Stanislaus Medical Society and the Stanislaus Foundation for Medical Care. He has served as president for both boards and for the United Foundations of California, Carl has been chair of the bioethics committee at Memorial Medical Center in Modesto since 1997. Dr. Hornberger describes bioethics as, "all issues regarding quality patient care. It's the recognition that patients are in a dependent position, they are scared, they don't know what is going on. Bioethics is about the realm of care for people who are dependent and in need of care, how you are spoken to, how you are treated." Carl says the thing about doctoring he enjoys most is patient contact.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. J. Carl Hornberger for his excellence and dedication as a physician. I invite my colleagues to join me in wishing Carl many years of continued success.

IN RECOGNITION OF CAPTAIN JIM JENNINGS FOR HIS 35 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CONCORD PO-LICE DEPARTMENT

## HON. ELLEN O. TAUSCHER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 11, 2004

Mrs. TAUSCHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Captain Jim Jennings, who is retiring from the city of Concord Police Department after 35 years of serving the residents of Concord as well as the larger community.

Captain Jennings was born in Placerville and is a life-long resident of California. He married his wife Jennifer in 1970 and they have spent 34 wonderful years together.

Captain Jennings' public service career began even before his time with the Concord Police Department. He served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam from 1967 to 1968. During his service, he received several commendations and medals for his work.

Captain Jennings was hired as a patrolman with the Concord Police Department in May 1969. His distinguished career of public service includes serving on the board of directors of the Peace Offers Research Association of California. For 8 years, he also served as the organization's president.

In 1992, he collaborated with the Contra Costa County Superior Court to develop a protocol that law enforcement officials could follow to handle weapons seized from individuals. This protocol is now followed by all law enforcement agencies in Contra Costa Country

In 1994, Captain Jennings was honored for his on-the-scene help to prevent an individual from jumping to his death. During the following year, he was responsible for creating the Concord Police Department's Northern District Field Office. More than 1,000 individuals attended the Field Office's Grand Opening, demonstrating the widespread public support for his work.